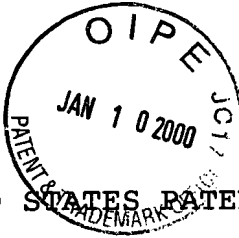


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:)
YOSHINOBU SHIRAIWA) : Examiner: D. Fields
Application No.: 09/062,552) : Group Art Unit: 2722
Filed: April 28, 1998) :
For: IMAGE OUTPUT CONTROL) : January 10, 1999
APPARATUS) : (Monday)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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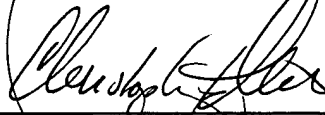
Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 9, 1999 for three (3) months, from October 9, 1999 up to and including Sunday, January 9, 2000.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$870.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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